

You can:

- Bake a cake, biscuits, muffins, scones or savoury slice for the canteen or home baking table. Bring it to the pavilion on Saturday morning, or make arrangement to drop it off at the school beforehand.
- Prepare filled rolls for the canteen. Join Monica at the pavilion 7.00am Saturday morning.
- Help doing shifts in the canteen on the day between 8:30am and 3:00pm. Give an hour or so serving in the canteen or selling raffles or at the bake table – its GREAT fun to be involved.
- Contribute to the MONSTER EASTER RAFFLE.
Easter Eggs, yummy chocolate or other Easter treats, drop it at the school by 2.30pm Thursday 24 March.

We appreciate any help you can give! If you have any questions please call school 878 7534.

Vandalism

It is very disappointing to report that we have recently experienced some misuse of school property. Four teenage boys were seen using the pool cover reel for bombing off and then climbing the pool fence to depart. The reel handle end has been broken off and has cost the school an unnecessary expense. It would be appreciated if those boys owned up!

Community News

Otorohanga Junior Rugby Muster and skills morning with the big boys
Sat 12 March, 10-12pm @ Island Reserve. Contact Bev Watts 0212684459

School Challenge KIDS - Te Kuiti BMX Club WANTS YOU! Get on your bike and come to:- 33 William St, Tuesday nights from 5.30pm. Every rider earns points for the School Challenge Shield. Tuesday 15th & 22th March. You need a full visor helmet, full fingered gloves, long pants, long sleeved top, covered shoes and lastly any bike! All ages, teachers and parents! *Limited hire equipment available.*

What's Coming Up At Waitomo Caves School

4 March	Waitomo Interschool's Swimming Sports
9 March	Beach Education Day (Year 5-8)
14 March	Board Meeting
17 March	Community Assembly
18 March	College Experience Day

Nga mihi
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Wahia te ara totika – Make the Right Choice

Term One 2016

Week Five – 4 March

Dear Parents, Caregiver, Whanau and Friends of the School

Tena Koutou Katoa

After a brief time with us the Jensen family have moved on due to family circumstances. Thank you Haupokia, Aria and Tiana for your contributions while at Waitomo Caves School, we wish you well.

Community Assembly

Our first Community Assembly has been rescheduled. This will now take place on Thursday 17 March starting at 1.00pm. We will be celebrating our swimming achievements. Please come along and see what we can do.

Breakfast Club

Our school Breakfast Club will start next week where milk and Weetbix will be available for anyone who wants it from 8.00am onwards. Thank you to our rostered helpers Danielle, Jalna, Melissa, Councillors Siân, Rawiri, Thomas and Constable Irwin.

Touch

The touch competition started yesterday and we have some keen Tiny Tigers and two additional teams. Jalna is coaching a mix of students in the Year 5 & 6 team while Julian coaches a senior team in a Year 7 & 8 grade.



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Proudly Supporting Waitomo Caves School

Swimming Sports

Congratulations to the largest school group yet that has participated from Waitomo Caves. With 34 strong Year 4 - 8 swimmers competing in the Small Schools Swimming event recently every child did extremely well. Congratulations everyone and thank you to our supporting parents, and Christaan for recording results.

COP's swimmers performed extremely well with great dives, perfected strokes and fantastic positive attitudes. Great swimming Huri, Donelle, Tane, Henry, Lilly, Ashton, Taylor, Siân, Reuben, Qaiyaan, Te Rito, Heidi, Maddison, Thomas and Max. Thank you parent/whanau supporters and thank you Vickie for timekeeping. Top placed COP's overall results were:

Huri Barlow - 8 Year Boys 1st Breaststroke, 1st Backstroke.

Reuben Dimond - 9 Year Boys 3rd Breaststroke.

Taylor Burgess - 1st Open Individual Medley, 1st Open Boys Butterfly, 10 Year Boys 1st Freestyle, 2nd Breaststroke, 1st Backstroke.

Tane Barlow - 10 Year Boys 2nd Backstroke.

Lilly Taane-Edwards - 10 Year Girls 3rd Freestyle, 4th Breaststroke.

Max Cornes - 11 Year Boys 3rd Freestyle, 2nd Breaststroke, 4th Open Boys Butterfly.

Relays - 10 Years & Under 3rd Waitomo (Lilly Taane-Edwards, Reuben Dimond, Henry Murchie, Taylor Burgess)

Relays - Open Age Medley 4th Waitomo (Backstroke - Siân Dimond, Butterfly - Taylor Burgess, Breaststroke - Max Cornes, Freestyle - Heidi Muller)



Early morning team talk
with Mrs Stubbs



COP's medley swimmers
(Heidi, Thomas, Te Rito, Siân, Lilly, Reuben, Taylor)

As this newsletter goes to print there are 12 swimmers competing at the Waitomo Interschool Swimming event in Te Kuiti. We wish them a great day of swimming and will share their results in the next newsletter.

Cricket Achievements

Well done Max Cornes and Thomas Verry for selection and playing representative cricket in the Year 7 King Country Team. Congratulations boys. Max has also been selected for the Waikato Valley Cricket Development Team for his age group.

Beach Education Day

The Beach Education Day is scheduled for Wednesday 9 March which will be held rain, hail or shine. Children will need lunch, snacks, a drink, togs, towel, warm clothes and hats and sunscreen will be taken from school. Children may wish to bring their wet suits as well if they have one.

Parents transporting and assisting with activities will receive a notice with this newsletter about their involvement on the day.

Please remember all Year 5 to 8 students will need to be at school by 7.30am for an early departure. We will return between 4.00pm - 4.30pm therefore your child can be collected from school then. The school mobile number to contact Mrs Dimond if necessary is 0226 259 776.

Water Safety Camp

Year 5 to 8 school camp to Lake Taupo MiCamp is still scheduled for the week following Easter, Wednesday 30 March to Friday 1 April. Unfortunately our hosts have not confirmed the budget following our activity based programme which means the details and information has not yet been made available to our families.

Please be thinking about your child's participation in this camp and whether you may be available to transport and supervise group activities during this programme. We will endeavour to get as much information out to you ASAP.

It is with much excitement that we can confirm WCS is Pumpn. Our sincere thanks to Shane Phillips of Pumpn in Otorohanga for a donation of \$500 towards our Water Safety Camp programme.

Waitomo Sports Day Canteen

Please support the schools major fundraiser at the Waitomo Sports Day held on Saturday 26 March at the domain. Funds will subsidise field trips and water safety excursions.